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Welcome to the Inaugural Issue of
John Jay's Alumni On-line Newsletter

Dear Alumnus/a:

I am pleased to present *Alumni News*, a new monthly on-line newsletter designed to keep you up to date on the many activities and initiatives that are being undertaken by John Jay and the Alumni Association. It's been an exciting time at the new John Jay with numerous developments taking place in the areas of education, professional development and research. *Alumni News* will keep you posted by highlighting these activities, programs and events. It is our hope that this publication will help strengthen the bonds between the College and its alumni.

Michael F. McCann, '75
President
Alumni Association

College News

Student Enrollment

Student enrollment, retention, and graduation rates are up!

14,000 – a record number – enrolled this year. This September, 2,742 students entered the freshmen class, making it the largest class in the College's history.

In addition to enrolling more students, we have seen marked improvement in graduation rates. A recent study by the American Association of State Colleges and

Universities (AASCU) recognized John Jay College as one of 12 colleges nationwide that have “an unusually good record of retaining and graduating students.” Campus culture, a sense of community and an understanding of the College’s mission and values were cited as key reasons for our success. Students find at John Jay what they are searching for – a quality education at a reasonable cost, professors that care, and a diverse learning community in the middle of the city. And that diversity was also recently cited by *The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education Magazine* which ranked the College as No. 1 for the most bachelor’s degrees awarded to Hispanics who major in protective services. John Jay enjoys the highest enrollment of Hispanics of any college in the Northeast.

Robust Research

The Office for the Advancement of Research was created in October to accommodate increasing research activities at the College. John Jay has significantly expanded its research capacity this year receiving a record number of grants and contracts. More than \$10 million was raised in research and for support programs that range from law enforcement training to student counseling and career development. Particularly noteworthy awards came from the Rudin family. A \$500,000 commitment from Jack and Susan Rudin to the College’s Criminal Justice Research and Evaluation Center will sponsor the Lewis and Jack Rudin Center for Criminal Justice Partnerships which will provide research and technical assistance to criminal justice agencies of the City and State of New York . A second \$500,000 commitment was made by the May and Samuel Rudin Foundation to support the Lewis Rudin doctoral students, who will work closely with the newly created Center for Criminal Justice Partnerships.

Student Highlights

Justice Scholars Excel

With a desire to create a tangible and living memorial in the aftermath of 9/11, Princeton University generously established the Justice Scholarship program at John Jay in 2002 with a gift of \$250,000. The Justice Scholarship program is an ongoing testament to the public service

heroes of 9/11 who had studied at the College. The scholarships are especially meaningful since many scholars had a close connection to someone killed during the 9/11 attacks. The latest recipients are: Devin Chu, Lucy Kobus, Lauren Milbouer, Patrick Mills, Lorraine Virgilio, Louis Figueroa, Luz Gonzalez, William Olander, Marcela Slavikova, and Wendy Villafana.

Students are selected based on demonstrated and continued dedication to the field of public service. Scholars receive \$2,000 applied to tuition and undergraduate research. Awardees remain eligible for up to four years of study as long as they maintain a 3.5 or higher grade point average and pursue their studies full-time.

Alumni Spotlight



Joyce Stephen

Ever since she was 12 years old, Joyce A. Stephen (B.S. '81) wanted to be in law enforcement. She fulfilled that dream when she was appointed to the New York City Police Department in January of 1981. Starting out on foot patrol in the 46th Precinct in the Bronx, she was soon asked to become a police science instructor.

Swiftly rising through the ranks, Stephen was promoted to sergeant in 1985 and then to lieutenant in 1989. In December of 1994, she became the first African-American woman in the history of the police department to command a police precinct. Stephen readily credits her John Jay education and female mentors in the department

for assisting her in the achievement of her goals.

But her career didn't stop there. By 2000, after a two-year stint with the Manhattan North Borough Office, Stephen was promoted to inspector and assigned to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Training. Continuing her advancement, she was promoted in 2004 to the civilian post of deputy commissioner of community affairs where she was instrumental in enhancing the relationship between the city's communities and the department.

After almost 25 years of service, Joyce Stephen retired from the NYPD in October of 2005.

Events



Drug Markets in Troubled Communities: Finding Solutions

Monday, November 7, 2005 6:00 pm

The Alumni Association of John Jay College will host our CUNY Month Lecture with Professor David Kennedy, Director of the Center for Crime Prevention and Control, and Eric Paolilli, Chief of Police, City of Newburgh Police Department.

John Jay College
Gerald W. Lynch Theater Lobby
899 Tenth Ave., NYC

Reservations suggested

For more information, contact Sharice at 212-237-8547

Graduate Open House

Tuesday, November 8th, 2005 5:00 - 7:30 pm
Hors d'oeuvres served from 4:30 - 5:00 pm

John Jay College Faculty and staff will be available to discuss graduate programs, admission, careers, and financial aid.

John Jay College
Gerald W. Lynch Theater
899 Tenth Ave., NYC

To reserve your seat call 212-237-8863

First Annual Alumni Brunch in Staten Island

Saturday, November 12, 2005 9:30 am

The Alumni Association of John Jay College, along with Michael McCann and Tony Simonetti, invite you to our first annual Alumni Brunch in Staten Island .

Reservations are required. *Couvert* \$25.00 per person
Couvert represents the value of the event and is not tax deductible

For details, contact Tricia at 212-484-1103

Dr. Henry Lee Speaks at New York City College of Technology

Monday, November 21, 2005 6:00 pm

The Alumni Association of John Jay College presents our Brooklyn Alumni event with guest speaker Dr. Henry Lee, one of the country's leading forensic scientists, lecturing on his high profile cases.

New York City College of Technology
Amphitheatre
300 Jay Street, Brooklyn

Reservations are required.
Couvert \$5.00 per person
Couvert represents the value of the event and is not tax deductible

For more information, call 212-237-8547

The John Jay Book & Author Series

Tuesday, November 29, 2005 5:30 pm

The John Jay Book & Author Series is pleased to present
“Battling Corruption in America’s Public Schools” with
author Lydia Segal.

John Jay College
Gerald W. Lynch Theater
899 Tenth Avenue, NYC

No reservation required

Career Information Days

Wednesday, December 7, 2005 9:30 am to 3:00 pm
Thursday, December 8, 2005 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

The career development services team of John Jay
College is pleased to announce Career Information Days.
Representatives from agencies, law and graduate schools
will be available to advise alumni/ae in developing a
career path. More information will be posted in mid-
November on the Career Development section of the
College’s web site

www.jjay.cuny.edu/careerdevelopment/careerAdvising/

John Jay College
445 W. 59th Street, NYC

No reservation required

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